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#### City Council Election (Unofficial Results) Top 5 Win

	Center	North End	Springhill Lake	Greenbelt East	Absentee	Total	
For City Council							
Judith F. Davis	560	535	51	411	96	1,653	
	77.5%	77.3%	82.3%	83.0%	78.7%	78.9%	
Rodney M. Roberts	560	545	39	362	98	1,604	
	77.5%	78.8%	62.9%	73.1%	80.3%	76.6%	
Edward V. J. Putens	494	472	39	385	88	1,478	
	68.3%	68.2%	62.9%	77.8%	72.1%	70.6%	
Konrad E. Herling	526	476	26	287	87	1,402	
	72.8%	68.8%	41.9%	58.0%	71.3%	67.0%	
Leta M. Mach	497	465	33	296	89	1,380	
	68.7%	67.2%	53.2%	59.8%	73.0%	65.9%	
Kelly P. Ivy, Sr.	266	252	30	219	38	805	
	36.8%	36.4%	48.4%	44.2%	31.1%	38.4%	
Collective Bargaining Referendum Question							
FOR the Charter amendment	361	331	46	312	55	1,105	
AGAINST the Charter amendment	299	293	7	142	56	797	
Number Voting	723	692	62	495	122	2,094	
Registration	2,649	2,132	2,278	4,291		11,350	
Turnout	27.3%	32.5%	2.7%	11.5%		18.4%	

### Police Referendum Wins Easily As Incumbents Win Reelection

by James Giese

Greenbelt voters reelected to their city council all five incumbents with Leta Mach, the incumbent receiving the fewest votes winning handily over the only challenger, Kelly Ivy, by 575 votes according to unofficial results provided by the city Board of Elections. Judith Davis, who led the pack, is expected to be reelected mayor by the new-old council at its organizational meeting on November 14 for the new two-year term. Rodney Roberts, who bested Davis in two of the four city precincts and among absentee voters, placed second, only two percentage points behind her. He is expected to be chosen mayor pro tem once again by the council.

The referendum question to have the council adopt a charter amendment to authorize the Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police to enter into collective bargaining on employment conditions won easily, garnering 58 percent of the votes cast on the issue. Only among absentee voters was the proposal disapproved and that by only one vote. Ten percent of the voters in the election failed to express themselves on this issue.

The referendum question won in spite of the stated opposition of four of the incumbent councilmembers. Voter disagreement with the council on this matter did little to change voter opinion of the councilmembers as the order of finish for the five was the same as at the previous election. However, Rodney Roberts, the sole supporter of the proposal, appeared to benefit some, as he gained six percentage points over the percentage he received in 2003 while Davis dropped two

points thereby causing Davis' much narrower margin of victory.

This year, voter turnout was only 18.4 percent of the number of persons registered to vote in this and state and national elections, down slightly from the 19.1 percent two years ago. However, the actual numbers voting did increase by 21. Apparently any added interest in the election generated by the referendum question was offset by fewer candidates seeking office. Unlike the 2003 election when only three incumbents sought reelection, all incumbents ran for reelection this time. In 2003, four new candidates sought election while this time Ivy was the only challenger.

#### Absentee Ballots

Because election laws were changed to permit anyone who chose to do so to vote in advance by casting an absentee ballot, City Clerk Kathleen Gallagher and the Greenbelt Board of Elections were not sure what effect this would have on voter turnout. The number of absentee ballots cast more than tripled from the previous election. The actual number was 122 compared to 40 in 2003.

If the election had been held in Greenbelt Center (precincts 6 and 8) only, Roberts, not Davis, would be the top vote getter. If the election had been held in Greenbelt East, Edward Putens, not Roberts, would have placed second to Davis. If the election was held only in Springhill Lake, where less than three percent of the registered voters cast ballots, Ivy would have been elected to the council instead of Konrad Herling. Those elected, however, did have broad support

throughout the city.

Greenbelt North End (precinct 6) again led in the highest percentage of votes cast, this time with 32.5 percent. That was slightly down from 2003, possibly because of the higher number of absentee ballots cast. These are not allocated to the various precincts in the unofficial vote count.

According to Gallagher, this was a very quiet election day for her and the Board of Elections with no significant problems or complaints arising.



For a collection of Halloween photos, see pages 12-13.

#### What Goes On

Saturday, November 12 9 a.m. to noon, Donation Dropoff, Parking Lot between City Offices and Community Center Monday, November 14 7 p.m., Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee, Community Center 7:30 p.m., Charter Meeting of City Council, Municipal Building Wednesday, November 16 7:30 p.m., Advisory Planning Board Meeting, Room 112, Community Center 8 p.m., Council Worksession -Request from Metropark for City TIF, Community Center Thursday, November 17

7:30 p.m., GHI Board Meeting,

GHI Board Room

### American Education Week November 13 through 19, 2005

### Local Schools to Celebrate American Education Week

by Mary Moien

Greenbelt schools will celebrate American Education Week November 13 through 19. "A Strong America Starts with Great Public Schools" is the theme of this year's celebration. The theme highlights the importance of bringing together teachers, schools staff, parents, students and communities in a unified effort to build great public schools. The News Review will highlight teachers at local schools beginning in this issue.

#### **Greenbelt Elementary**

Greenbelt has several activities planned – all on Wednesday, November 16. Parents are invited to visit their children's classrooms from 9:15 a.m. to 3:25 p.m.

There will also be two assemblies on Wednesday to commemorate Veterans' Day. The first, for the upper grades (grades 4-6) will be at 9:45 a.m. Several dignitaries are expected to be present including Deputy State Superintendent of Schools Richard Steinke, State Senator Paul

Pinsky, Bruce Katz, Region II assistant superintendent, and Jose Morales, school board member. The younger children's assembly will be held at 2 p.m.

At each assembly, the 4th grade classes will present a "Living Timeline of Maryland History." Each of the three 4th grade classes has prepared skits on significant dates. The 5th and 6th grade chorus under the direction of music teacher Dara Case will sing "Land of Our Dreams," to tell the story of immigrants. Immigrants played a large role in Maryland history as Baltimore was the second largest port of entry for European immigration.

#### **TAG Meeting**

On Wednesday evening at 7 p.m., parents of children identified by the school system as "talented and gifted" (TAG) will meet in the Greenbelt Elementary School Media Center. The meeting is sponsored by the Prince George's County Schools TAG office.

### Teachers at Springhill Lake Create the Ultimate Frontier

by Enid Y. Grempler

Shobar Hairston

Shobar Hairston considers himself a gardener at the most crucial point in educational development – el-



ementary school. For him it's the place where educators, parents and the community must come together to provide a stable and soothing learning environment. It's also the place where special education students in particular need a voice.

Special needs unmet when students enter secondary school are generally diagnosed too late, when teachers and resources are stretched incredibly thin. Their parents are also unsure how to deal with the subsequent diagnosis and its aftereffects. That's why Hairston is a special educator or Community Resource Instructor at Springhill Lake Elementary. It was the first school he came to when he taught music.

Back then, Hairston traveled to 13 different schools around Prince George's County as an interim music teacher. Today he teaches fifth and sixth graders how to use the resources of the community that surrounds them as a companion to the curriculum

taught in class. In other words, he teaches addition and subtraction by using the textbook and utilizing the local shopping malls and grocery stores to further cement mathematical facts.

Knowing he is needed at the primary education level, Hairston believes that his journey extends beyond elementary school. His next step is to teach the next generation of special education teachers – specifically, career changers and those people new to the job who don't always have the passion, dedication and communication skills to deal with special needs children and their parents.

Most importantly, Hairston wants prospective teachers to understand that special education children have unlimited potential. It's a lesson that he learned recently when working on his master's at George Washington University. In the program he met a man with Asperger's syndrome (a form of high functioning autism) who now teaches at a school in Prince George's County. It all comes down to what Hairston says is key: "Get students to appreciate themselves, you give them value." He has no doubt that in return they will give you everything you ask for and more.

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### Letters

#### **THANKS**

I want to extend my thanks to all the volunteers, to the Greenbelt Co-op for their donation to the October 30 tree planting project and to Greenbelt Homes, Inc. which supplied many of the plants and a vast array of tools for the volunteers to use.

Scout Andrew Siller

#### **THANKS**

I wish to express my deep thanks to all who voted for me in the council election on Tuesday. My gratitude also goes to those who contributed to my campaign and worked on my behalf. I pledge to do my best to serve the changing needs of our city and I remain, as always, "Committed to Community."

J Davis

#### Millions Allocated To Beltsville Center

Significant funds have been allocated to the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center in the Fiscal Year 2006 Agricultural Appropriations Conference Report according to Fifth District Maryland Congressman Steny Hoyer, a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee. The center will receive \$9,384,000 for a variety of continuing projects and four new projects. The new projects deal with invasive species, biobased products/ bioenergy, obesity and nutrition and food safety. Continuing projects are barley research, biomedical materials, biomineral soil, bovine genetic research, coffee/cocoa research, dairy genetic research, food safety, foundry sand research, Johne's disease, minor use pesticides, national germplasm, national nutrition and weed management.

#### Corrections

In last week's obituary for pioneer Alice E. Carneal, the News Review incorrectly identified the brother who survived her. He is Aubrey Jones, known to Greenbelters and a long-ago Co-op employee, now living in Laurel. The News Review regrets the error.

In the midst of all our efforts to encourage readers to vote in Tuesday's election we managed to misdirect Precinct 3 voters to the wrong location. Fortunately the city clerk posted signs redirecting voters to the proper place - the Community Center. The News Review regrets the error and the extra step for those who followed our directions.

Review

### Choose the Killer at GAC Play

by Eli Flam

Who killed Dave? That's the question for the audience to take on in "Changing Hands: A Murder Mystery," a local guest-company production at Greenbelt Arts Center November 18-20 and 25-27. The guilty party: one of five pals - Larry, Jay-Jay, Cassie, Lilly and Barbara - who grew up in Philadelphia with money-driven Dave, "who lies, cheats and be-trays his friends." At play's end the viewers, cued by a guide sheet, choose who did in Dave.

Playwright Mary Weeks of Columbia and director Tony Monteiro of Washington, D.C., with a cast of 25, are backed by producer Ella Darby of Clinton and her C' City Productions. She

has been working with local talent since 2000, in her words, "to provide showcase opportunities" on stage and on camera. In "Changing Hands," she says of the cast, led by Akil Taffe as Dave, "Their amazing performances will wow you!"

The play will be in the Arts Center November 18, 19, 25 and 26 at 8 p.m. and on November 20 and 27 at both 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Ticket prices are discounted for seniors and groups. Tickets are available by phone at 301-441-8770 or online from Ccityproductions@aol.com. Darby can be reached with questions about the play or her group at 301-856-5801.

### Ginny Zanner Keeps Two **Acting Groups Perking**

by Mary Lou Fisher

In 1970 a group of theatrically-minded employees at Goddard Space Flight Center met and said, "Let's put on a show." The result was "Wonderful Town," the first in a string of productions continuing to this day. One of the founding members of what was to become Music and Drama (MAD) Productions was Greenbelt resident Virginia (Ginny) Zanner.

Born in 1925 in Texarkana on the Texas-Arkansas border, Ginny was the first woman to receive a degree in physics from Rice University in Texas in the 1940s. She made her way to the Washington area and eventually went to work for a National Aeronautics and Space Administration contractor. In 1961 she left the contractor and signed on with the federal government at Goddard Space Flight Center, overseeing the project she had just left.

In 1971 Ginny directed "Barefoot in the Park" for MAD. Following that she directed "Guys and Dolls" in 1972, "South Pacific" in 1973 and "Camelot" in 1982. In the ensuing years Ginny has served in many capacities for MAD, including costumer, set designer and actress.

Moving to Greenbelt in 1979, Ginny immediately became involved in the community and, when a group of citizens banded together in an effort to save the Old Greenbelt Theatre, Ginny agreed to direct "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" in an effort to raise money to keep the building intact. The show was a success and the newly-founded Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) continued to perform in the theater for a number of years.

During that time Ginny,

among other plays, directed the melodrama, "Ten Nights in a Bar Room;" performed in or worked on the technical side of most of the other shows; and served on GAC's board of directors.

When the owners decided to reopen the building as a movie house, GAC "went on the road." Ginny offered her blue van, "Ethel," to transport the sets from the boiler room on Ridge Road to the Youth Center and Capitol College in Laurel, where GAC continued to offer live theater to the greater Greenbelt community.

In 1993 GAC found a permanent home in its present location next to the post office. Ginny retired from GSFC in 1986. Ethel, on the other hand, continued to transport costumes, props, sets and people back and forth between GAC and MAD for many more years.

Ginny herself has continued her involvement with and major contributions to both organizations and is currently performing in MAD's fall dinner theater production of "State Fair." With music by Richard Rodgers and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein, the show traces the adventures of the Frake family at the Iowa State Fair. Originally written for the screen in 1945, the movie was remade in 1962. The state version of "State Fair" debuted on Broadway in 1996. The production incorporates songs from other Rodgers and Hammerstein's shows.

The final performance is on Sunday, November 13. For ticket information call 240-474-8800.

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"The new council has a long agenda of tough nuts to crack!"



#### PRELIMINARY AGENDA **MEETING OF THE GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS** Thursday, November 17, 2005 GHI BOARD ROOM, 7:30 PM

#### **Key Agenda Items:**

- Proposed 2nd Story Balcony Deck & Conversion of Gardenside Window to Sliding Glass Exit Door, 9-Q Research Road
- Existing Vinyl Shed, 10-B Southway Road Proposed Conversion of Gardenside Window to Door, 2-B Westway
- Expenditure Authorization #1 2nd Reading
- Allocation of Surplus Funds 2005 Proposal to Purchase Computer Software
- Proposed Rule for Construction of Right-of-Way
- Proposed Policy for Use of PODS
- Repairs of 69-M Ridge to Eliminate "Ghosting" Problem

Regular board meetings are open to members.

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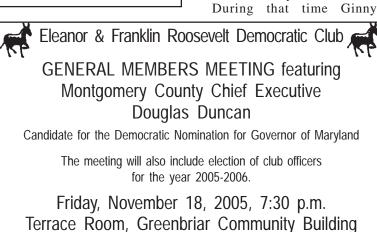
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DEADLINES: Letters, articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, during office hours. Mail subscriptions-\$35/year.

> Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd. OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.



7600 Hanover Parkway at Greenbelt Road (Rte. 193)

Refreshments and Social after the meeting.

Everyone is welcome. Join us!

For information, call 301-474-2896

### **Community Events**

#### **Greenbriar Holds** Senior Luncheon

Registration is required by November 14 for Greenbriar senior residents who plan to attend the November 22 Thanksgiving festivities. Residents may bring a guest. Meet in the Greenbriar Terrace Room from noon to 1:30 p.m. to enjoy a special Thanksgiving luncheon, a movie and to participate in making a Thanksgiving centerpiece. Greenbriar Community Affairs Director Ramona Davis at 301-441-1096, ext. 11 or email cad.greenbriar@verizon.net.

#### International Films At Local Festival

Greenbelt's first international film festival starts this weekend and runs through Sunday, November 13. At venues large and small, the work of international filmmakers as well as local artists will be on display.

At the Old Greenbelt Theatre movie goers can see "A Very Long Engagement" on Friday; "Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter and Spring" on Saturday and "Festival Express" on Sunday.

At the Arts Center and in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building there will be a mix of documentaries and dramatic films.

Festival director George Kochell says "These are all highly-accessible films; pick any one of them and you'll probably like it. The great thing about this festival is that it brings quality work right to your doorstep. Many of these films have only been seen at festivals. Others have had only limited runs. Often, a very good product doesn't get the right exposure and disappears. The overriding principle here is that picking through the recent past we have found many overlooked gems."

The library program is free; there is a fee for all other tickets. For more information go to www.greenbeltutopia.org or see see ad on page 16.

#### **GHI Notes**

The fall gutter cleaning program continues (members - see gutter cleaning ad on this page.)

November 15, 7 p.m., Member and Community Relations Committee, Board Room.

November 16, 7:30 p.m., Architecture & Environment Committee, Board Room.

7:30 p.m., Companion Animal Committee, GHI Lunch Room.

November 19, 11 a.m., Prepurchase Orientation, GHI Board Room.

#### **Choir Seeks Singers**

The Greenbelt Combined Choir is preparing for Greenbelt's annual interdenominational Thanksgiving service which will take place on Wednesday, November 23. Choir rehearsals will be held at the Greenbelt Community Church on the corner of Hillside and Crescent Roads on Monday, November 14 and Tuesday, November 22 at 7:30 p.m. All singers are invited to join the group and new singers are always welcome.

For further information call Jean Cook at 301-345-2597 or Chris Fominaya at 240-593-7732.

#### **Star Party Next** Friday Night

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party on Friday evening, November 18 at



Wolfe Field on Northway extended. Weather permitting, members of the society will begin setting up telescopes at approximately 5:30 p.m. to aid in viewing a variety of celestial objects, including stars, star clusters, nebulas and galaxies. Observers who stay late may see several meteors, as the peak of the Leonid meteor shower will occur in the early morning of November 19.

In the event of rain or hopelessly cloudy skies, this event will be canceled without further notice. Information about other ASG events can be found on its website at: http:// www.greenbeltastro.org/ events.shtml.

#### At the Library Children

Tuesday, November 15, 10:30 a.m. - Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, November 16, 10:30 a.m. - Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 toddlers.

Thursday, November 17, 10:30 a.m. - Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 children.

#### Adults

Saturday, November 12, 10:30 a.m. - Poetry Plus meets in the downstairs meeting room. The subjects are Dylan Thomas and change. Bring copies of one's own work to share (optional).

2 p.m. - Greenbelt Utopia Film and Video Festival - "Movie Making in the Utopian Spirit."

2 to 4:30 p.m. - Film Festival Animated Shorts.

Wednesday, November 16, 7 p.m. - Adult book discussion, Eva Hoffman's "The Secret."



#### **Legion Auxiliary Supports Schools**

Greenbelt Unit #136, American Legion Auxiliary will participate in the observance of American Education Week, November 13 to 19. This year's theme, "A Strong America Starts with Great Public Schools," reflects years of concern and interest by the American Legion and other groups. Greenbelt Unit #136 will express thanks to the teachers of local schools with a poem of appreciation, thank you cards with McDonald's gift certificates and bookmarks encouraging students to read. Throughout the year, publications encouraging patriotism, civic pride and scholarships will be distributed to the schools and to the public library.

American Education Week is not just for parents and educators; it is for everyone. It is every citizen's duty and responsibility to see that all children are prepared to take up the roles of citizens and leaders in the years

The Auxiliary urges all residents of Greenbelt to support local schools, to reaffirm their commitment to improving and supporting education at all levels and to translate this commitment into action by visiting Greenbelt schools during American Education Week, November 13 to 19.

#### **Boy Scouts Collect Food for Hungry**

Greenbelt Boy Scouts will conduct a non-perishable food drive for holiday dinners for lowincome families on Saturday, November 12 at 9 a.m. Plastic grocery bags were left on many residents' serviceside doors.

#### **Community Church Holiday Bazaar**

Greenbelt Community Church will hold a bazaar and auction on Saturday, November 12 at the church at the corner of Hillside and Crescent Roads. The bazaar will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and includes handmade items, Redskin tickets, gifts and seasonal decorations. Bidding for the live auction will begin at 3 p.m.

#### Call to Greenbelt artists - this December the New Deal Café is

Café Invites Artists

To Submit Sale Work

hosting its annual Christmas art show. All Greenbelt artists are invited to bring one piece of art for sale. Reasonable prices will help ensure sales. The intention is to fill the walls. If after the designated drop-off time more art is needed, then artists will be allowed to bring a second piece. Drop-off dates are Sunday, December 4 through Sunday, December 11.

For more information call Mike, New Deal Café art coordinator, at 301-442-1189 or email newdealcafeart@hotmail.com.

#### **Greenbriar Food Drive Underway**

Greenbriar is holding its annual food drive through November 22. Greenbriar residents are asked to help fill the pantries of neighbors in need by bringing non-perishable food items to the Greenbriar office this holiday season. Food collected will be distributed to those in need by United Communities Against Poverty.

#### Writers Group Meets

The Greenbelt Writers Group will hold its monthly meeting on Friday, November 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center. All Greenbelt writers are encouraged to come and read from their works during the "open reading" or just provide a receptive audience to other readers. Plans for a holiday party will be finalized.

#### **Greens Meet**

The Greenbelt Greens will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, November 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the public meeting room inside the Greenbelt Police Station. Discussions will include peace activism, Green Party nomination process for 2006 elections, a report from the statewide Maryland Green Party monthly meeting and results of local elections (Greenbelt; IRV in Takoma Park; Frederick).

For more information call Bob at 202-722-4303. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

#### **Food Drive Boxes** At Greenbelt Park

Greenbelt Park, part of the National Park Service, will collect non-perishable food items as part of the Federal Women's Food Drive to help the Capital Area Food Bank. Collection boxes at the park headquarters will be available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at the ranger station seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

The park entrance is located at 6565 Greenbelt Road.

For more information call 301-344-3948.

St. Hugh's Church **Christmas Bazaar** Saturday Nov. 12, 2005 10AM-3PM

Mowatt Memorial UMC Fall Craft Fair Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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Variety of Crafts • Childrens Craft Table • Door Prizes Lunch – Desserts for Sale



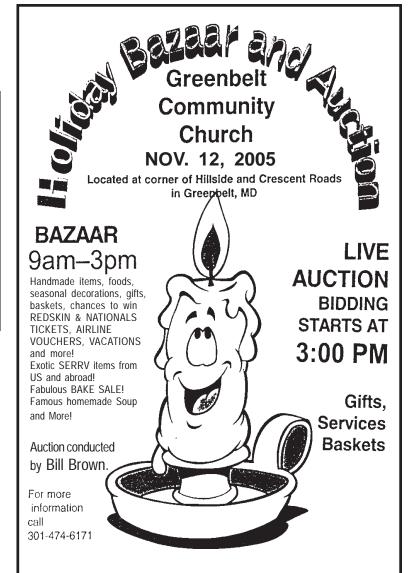


#### NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

#### FALL GUTTER **CLEANING PROGRAM**

Royal Gutter Services, Inc. and Metro Gutter, Inc. will begin the 2005 Fall Gutter Cleaning on Monday, November 21, 2005, weather permitting. The process will take approximately one month to complete. During that time, workers may appear at your building, at doors and windows. Please close your shades to preserve privacy.

Please contact Kenny Grimes at 301-474-4161, ext. 129 or Peter Joseph at 301-474-4161, ext. 141, if you have any questions or comments.



#### Doug Duncan Speaks Hospice Offers To Democratic Club

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club of Greenbelt will meet for its regular monthly meeting on Friday, November 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Terrace Room of the Greenbriar Community Building at the corner of Greenbelt Road (Rt. 193) and Hanover Parkway.

The guest speaker will be Montgomery County Executive Doug Duncan who announced formally for the Maryland governor's seat on October 20. The Democratic Preference Primary for the 2006 state-wide election is scheduled for Tuesday, September 12, 2006. A short list of questions (also asked of Baltimore Mayor Martin O'Malley at the October meeting) has been prepared by the club's executive board. During a question-and-answer period, questions will be taken from the audience.

As part of a short-agenda meeting, officers will be elected for 2006. The evening will end with an informal social hour. Members are reminded to bring snacks or desserts to share. The general public and prospective members are welcome.

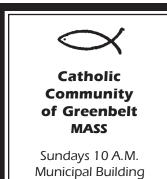
A December meeting, the group's annual Holiday Gala, will be held on Friday, December 16 at the same time and place. Prince George's County Executive Jack Johnson is scheduled to install the new officers and address the club.

For further information call Pat Unger, 301-474-1052 or Stuart Jordan, 301-474-2896.

#### **NAMI Offers** Legal Workshop

The National Association for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) Prince George's County Chapter will hold a free workshop on Thursday, November 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. The leader will be Barbara Anderson of the Pro Bono Counseling Project, which is a resource for people who are uninsured; caregivers; have limited incomes; are grieving the loss of a loved one; recently diagnosed with a serious physical illness; having relationship problems; victims or witnesses of crimes, elder abuse or financial exploitation, workplace violence, etc.

The workshop will be held in a new location, the Hanko Building at Beckett Field, 8511 Legation Road, New Carrollton. For more information call Jane Kelley, 301-577-6026.



#### Baha'i Faith

On November 12, Baha'is around the world will celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Baha'u'llah, founder of the Baha'i Faith, in 1817

Greenbelt Baha'i Community P.O. Box 245 Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-345-2918 301-220-3160 www.bahai.org www.us.bahai.org

### Help with Grief

Hospice of the Chesapeake's Spiritual and Bereavement Care Center is offering "Help for the Holidays," a seminar to help people cope with grief during the holiday season.

Bereavement Coordinator Roberta Rook, MS, LCPC will present the seminar on Saturday, November 19 from 10 a.m. to noon at Hospice of the Chesapeake, 8724 Jericho City Drive in Landover.

For more information and to register call 301-499-4500 or email rrook@hospicechesapeake.org.

#### Lab Theater Offers Free Weekend Play

The University of Maryland Department of Theatre's Off Center program will present free student-produced performances of "Standing on My Knees" this weekend. Written by John Olive and directed by Michele Pace, the play tells of a talented young poet's struggles between schizophrenia and cre-

Performances will be Saturdav. November 12 at 8 p.m.; Sunday, November 13 at 2 and 7:30 p.m.; and Monday, November 14 at 7 p.m. in the Laboratory Theatre of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at the University.

#### Mishkan Torah Rummage Sale

This Sunday and Monday are the days for the annual Mishkan Torah Rummage Sale. The synagogue is located at the corner of Ridge Road and Westway. Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday from noon to 8 p.m., bargain hunters can find a wide selection of used clothes, housewares, books, toys and

#### St. Hugh's Holds **Christmas Bazaar**

St. Hugh's Catholic Church will hold its Christmas Bazaar this Saturday, November 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Grenoble Hall, located on the lower level of the Church.

After an absence of several years, the St. Hugh's bazaar is back, with crafts, religious items, fun activities for the kids and a free hourly door prize drawing. There will be a plant table, a white elephant table and food and baked goods.

Greenbelt author Peggy Rooney will be on hand for a book signing. She is the author of "The Ant Hills," "Uncommon Conversations with God" and "Prisms of the Soul."

The church is located at 135 Crescent Road. For more information contact Gloria Winfrey at 301-345-3794.

#### Lecture on Afterlife At Mishkan Torah

Mishkan Torah will offer the Diane Kritt Memorial lecture on Sunday, November 20 at 7:30 p.m. The featured speaker will be Rabbi Gary Fink from Oseh Shalom Synagogue in Laurel, speaking on the topic of "Evolving Concepts of the Afterlife in Judaism: Past, Present and Future." Fink has specialized in the field of thanatology throughout his 25-year congregational career and is on the adjunct faculty of Hood College Graduate School.

Mishkan Torah Synagogue is located at 10 Ridge Road. For more information or directions call 301-474-4223.

#### **County School Board Meets**

The Prince George's County Board of Education will meet on Thursday, November 17 at 7:05 p.m. in the Sasscer Administration Building Board Room, 14201 School Lane, Upper Marlboro.

The meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may speak for two minutes by registering with the board office by 4 p.m. the day of the meeting. Call Cheryl Landis at 301-952-6308 for more information.

### Our neighbors

Congratulations to Kristina Zugby Smith, daughter of Robert and Dea Zugby, who earned a master of education degree from the National-Louis University's National College of Education in June.

Congratulations to Paul Sciubba for passing the Maryland Bar exam.

Share your accomplishments and challenges with your neighbors. Contact the News Review office at 301-474-4131 and give us the details for publication in the Our Neighbors column.

#### In Loving Memory of My Mother Dorothy V. Reamy "The World's Greatest Mom"

A million times I've missed you A million times I've cried If love could have saved you You never would have died I know God had to take you But you did not go alone For part of me went with you The day He took you home God gave me the strength to face it... And the courage to bear the blow But what it means to live without you No one will ever know

> I love you and I miss you. Sandra

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### **Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church**

Rev. Dr. Paul C. Kim, Pastor

Prayer Meeting Wed. 6:45 pm Crossways Bible Study Tues. 7:30 pm Thurs. 10:30 am

Handicapped Accessible Come As You Are!

### 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410

### Sunday School 9:45 am Worship Service 11:00 am

#### GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads 301-474-4212

www.greenbeltbaptist.org greenbelt.baptist@verizon.net Dr. Mark Johnson, Pastor



Sundays:

(starting July 3) Sunday School: Worship Service:

**Anglican Church** 

7010 Glenn Dale Road

1:30 pm

Wednesdays: 7:00 pm Simple, quiet Mass

9:00 am 10:15 am

Weds. Worship: 7:00 pm (Adult Bible Study/Prayer & Children's Ministry)

Helping People Connect with Christ and His Family through Loving Service

#### **III HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH** 6905 Greenbelt Road • 301-345-5111

Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Worship Service Sunday School/ Bible Study Worship Service



Fax 301-220-0694 • E-mail myholycross@verizon.net

#### ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-474-4322



**Mass Schedule:** Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m. Pastor: Fr. Walter J. Tappe Pastoral Associate: Fr. R. Scott Hurd

(Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)

8:00 am Simple, quiet Mass

month only)

St. George's Episcopal/

301-262-3285 | rector@stgeo.org | www.stgeo.org

9:00 am Christian education for all ages

music, ASL interpreted

Sung Mass with organ and folk

Signed Mass (last Sunday of each

### Greenbelt Community Church



Hillside & Crescent Roads Phone: **301-474-6171** mornings www.greenbelt.com/gccucc/

> **Sunday Worship** 10:15 a.m. Daniel Hamlin, Pastor

"A church of the open mind, the warm heart, the aspiring soul, and the social vision...'

### Congregation Mishkan Torah 10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-474-4223

An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue that respects tradition and becomes your

extended family in the 21st century.

Shabbat services: Friday evening at 8:00 PM, except 1st Friday of the month, i.e. family service at 7:30 PM. Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM. Educational programs for children K–12 and for adults.

Combined innovative full family educational program for parents and children. Conversion classes. Concert choir. Social Action program. Opportunity for leadership development.

Moderate, flexible dues. High holiday seating for visitors. Sisterhood. Men's Club. Other Social Activities. Interfaith families are welcome.

Historic synagogue dually affiliated with United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

and the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation

Did you know?

Although the month of Ramadhaan has past, many Muslims will continue to keep up with their recent practice of increased worship.

Muslims throughout the world will continue to fast throughout the year, usually on Mondays and Thursdays as was the practice of Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him). They will also continue to turn to the Holy Qur'an for guidance and inspiration, attempt to keep constant in the giving of charity and in exercising patience at times of challenge. In this manner, the Ramadhaan practices will fortify them for the upcoming year.

To find out more about Islam, call 301-982-9463 or e-mail us at searchislam@mail.com or visit the website www.islamguide.com.



## City Information

#### **GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL**

Municipal Building CHARTER MEETING November 14, 2005 - 7:30 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order-Outgoing Mayor Davis
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 4. Certification of Election Count
- 5. Oath of Office-Council Elect
- 6. Election of Temporary Chairperson
- 7. Election of Mayor
- 8. Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Elected Mayor by Rosalyn E. Pugh, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince George's County
- 9. Statement by Mayor
- 10. Election of Mayor Pro Tem
- 11. Statement by Mayor Pro Tem
- 12. Statements by Members of Council
- 13. Other Business
- 14. Adjournment

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

#### **LEAF COLLECTION**

Public Works will collect loose leaves with the leaf vacuum from November 7, 2005-January 20, 2006. Residents should rake leaves to the curb, but not onto the street. Make sure to remove all sticks and stones from the piles as these can damage the machinery. Areas will be posted prior to collection. The schedule for the next few weeks is as follows:

November 14-18 Boxwood

November 21-25 Woodland Hills, Greenbrook

Village & Estates, and Windsor Green

November 28-December 2 Lakewood

#### DONATION DROP-OFF

American Rescue Workers
Saturday, November 12th
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Parking lot between the City Office and the
Community Center

For further information contact the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8303.

#### **AMERICA RECYCLES DAY 2005**

November 15, 2005 "It All Comes Back To You"

America Recycles 2005 is a national awareness event to promote the social, environmental, and

economic benefits of recycling and buying recycled products. The average American generates nearly 1,600 pounds of trash each year, creating more than 230 million tons of waste annually in the United States. We all need to do our part and keep up our recycling

year, creating more than 230 million tons of waste annually in the United States. We all need to do our part and keep up our recycling efforts. It takes far less energy to recycle aluminum, steel, plastic, glass and paper than to make them from raw materials. It also reduces air and water pollution.

Recycling means more than putting things in your recycling bin. It also means shopping for products made with recycled materials. Stores sell thousands of products made from or packaged in recycled materials. Read the labels – look for the highest percentage of recycled content you can find.

Be sure to visit the **Recycling Display** at the Community Center during November and learn more about

#### RECYCLING IN GREENBELT.

Enter the America Recycles 2005 Contest online at www.americarecyclesday.org.

By pledging to recycle and to buy recycled content products, you will be eligible to win national prizes:

\*Ford Escape Hybrid Vehicle (must be 18 to win)

\*TREK Bicycles (all ages)

All entries due by November 15th.

### VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City
Council advisory groups.
Vacancies exist on the:
Employee Relations Board,
Recycling and Environment
Advisory Board, Youth
Advisory Committee
(Openings for adult & youth
positions.)

For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

### Meetings for November 14-18

Monday, November 14, 7:00pm, Recycling & Environment Advisory Committee, Community Center.

Monday, November 14, 7:30pm, CITY COUNCIL CHARTER MEETING, Municipal Building (live on Channel 71).

Wednesday, November 16, 7:30 pm, ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD, Room 112, Greenbelt Community Center. On the Agenda...Revision to Conceptual Site Plan – Greenbelt Station; Detailed Site Plan – South Core of Greenbelt Station, Pulte Development; Detailed Site Plan – South Core of Greenbelt Station, Fairfield Development

Wednesday, November 16, 8:00pm, COUNCIL WORK SESSION Re: Request from Metropark for a City TIF, Community Center

#### GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/ PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

MUNICIPALACCESS: 301-474-8000:Monday, November 14 at 7:30pm: City Council Charter Meeting (live).

Tuesday&Thursday, November 15 & 17: 10am & 6:00pm "Ask the Expert," 7pm "Greenbelt American Legion presents Outstanding Public Safety Officers of 2005," 8:30pm "Charter Meeting."

PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, November 16 & 18: 7pm GAC "Betty the Yeti," 9:00pm "48 Hour Film Project-Best of Baltimore & DC."



#### CITY OF GREENBELT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ANNEXATION CHARTER RESOLUTION NO. 2005-2

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, a municipal corporation has initiated by legislative action (pursuant to another annexation petition

received by the City) to annex 75.4634 acres of land more or less consisting of Prince George's County Tax Map 26, Parcel 93 as listed in the assessment and taxation records of the State of Maryland, and as recorded among the land records of Prince George's County, Maryland, in Liber 14327, folio 351and containing 75.4634 acres more or less, being on the west side of Cherrywood Lane, south of the Capital Beltway (I-495), and northwest of the intersection of Cherrywood Lane and Breezewood Drive.

The exact legal description and a survey plat of the above properties are on file with the City of Greenbelt Department of Planning and Community Development at 15 Crescent Road, Suite 200, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770 and are available for inspection during normal business hours.

The City Council will hold a public hearing on this proposed annexation on November 28, 2005, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Room at the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770. Additional public hearings may be held by the City Council before and/or after the above date. Information regarding such public hearings as well as the dates, times and places of any City Council work sessions at which this petition will be discussed, may be obtained by contacting the City Clerk at 301-474-8000. Public testimony will be received by the City Council at the hearing on the above date and at any other public hearings held on this matter. Written comments may be either presented at those hearings or sent to the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770.



#### CITY OF GREENBELT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ANNEXATION CHARTER RESOLUTION NO. 2005-3

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, a municipal corporation has received a petition for annexation of land containing 86.4576 acres

of land consisting of Parts One, Two, and Three as recorded among the land records of Prince George's County, Maryland, in Liber 12318, folio 654 and containing 85.941 acres more or less, and consisting of Part Five as recorded among the land records of Prince George's County, Maryland, in Liber 7385 folio 245 and containing .5166 acres more or less, commonly known as the South Core of the Greenbelt Metropark, LLC Development, being north of Branchville Road, east of the CSX Railroad tracks and south of the Greenbelt Metro Station.

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Did you know...

Americans represent only five percent of the world's population, but generate 30% of the world's garbage.

Every ton of paper made from recycled materials saves about 17 trees.

#### RECYCLE RIGHT CONTEST "WIN WITH YOUR BIN!"

You can win prizes just by properly preparing your recycling bin during the next few weeks. Five winners will be selected: one winner from each of the four City Recycling Collection Routes and one winner from a Contractual Recycling Collection route.

Just make sure that you have clean, properly prepared recyclables set out on your collection day!



#### Part of the AMERICA RECYCLES DAYcelebration

Sponsored by the City of Greenbelt and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.

For more information call the City Recycling Office at 301-474-8308.

### Greenbelter Aids Animal Victims Traumatized by Hurricane Katrina

by Cam MacQueen, MSW

Greenbelter Midge Cruz, a former humane law enforcement officer and current member of the GHI Companion Animal Committee, answered the call to help rescue animals in Louisiana after Hurricane Katrina. Cruz and her colleagues spent about five days in six towns where few resources had been allocated for animal rescue.

Like the human residents, the animals suffered greatly. Desperate, emaciated dogs wandered around injured, confused, hungry and thirsty. Many didn't make it. "Some were poisoned by the environment, some shot by sheriff's department personnel. There were too many to get to; my partner's vehicle just wasn't large enough," remarked Cruz.

#### Shelter Set Up

Cruz and two colleagues delivered dog and cat food, animal crates and traps and donated vegan food, bottled water and juice for the workers to Camp Lucky, a makeshift animal shelter established by two local veterinarians in Chalmette.

Bob Davis, manager of the Greenbelt Co-op, donated a gift certificate for foodstuffs. Drink More Water, based in Gaithersburg, and Honest Tea of Bethesda contributed muchneeded water and juice. The Red Cross brought in cooked meals and drinks as well.

Although the animals in the shelter were finally safe with clean food, water and vet care, there was sadness in their eyes. They were mentally weary and physically exhausted from the trauma of the storm, the flooding, the fight to survive and the waiting to be rescued.

#### Searching

A father and his teenage son, arms waving frantically, ran alongside one vehicle looking for their one-year-old gray tabby cat Toby. "We lost everything. The only thing we want is Toby. Our eight-year-old daughter and Toby are very attached to each other. We have to get him back. We think we found him on Petfinders.org but we can't get through." The family had returned to check their home and salvage what they could. Toby was last seen wearing a collar with a tag that read "22 Carmac, Chalmette, 271-1037."

Another man was desperately looking for his 7-year-old female Sheltie Sassy, with a scar on her cheek. Cruz received a call from the animal rescue base camp in Gonzales, La., asking her to look for Sassy at Camp Lucky. The man and his dog had been afloat in a small boat; at gunpoint, the National Guard forced the man to throw his dog overboard during his rescue. "With people dying and stranded on rooftops, priorities were assessed. But what the authorities failed to understand was that people were already traumatized by flooding and losing their homes," explained Cruz. "That man's little Sassy was his link to life and all that he had left. Many people refused to evacuate and leave their animals behind," Cruz said. "There was only one Sheltie at Camp Lucky that day and all the animals were being flown to San Diego within hours. There



In contrast to pets who are experiencing hard times, German Shepherd Pepper savors a cool ride in the back of his pickup truck on a beautiful day in Greenbelt.

wasn't time to do anything for this man and Sassy."

#### Rescuing

A homeowner's sister called to check on three cats and some birds. The owner had fled to Mississippi with her daughter. The only access was through a front window. Once inside, a cockatiel answered. Two bird cages hung from hooks on the ceiling. A live blue parakeet was in one cage with the decomposed body of a cockatiel. A live Lutino cockatiel was found in the other cage. He, too, shared his cage with the decomposed body of his cage mate, another cockatiel. Two of the cats were found hiding behind a washer and dryer, the third was in the bedroom. "Three weeks after Katrina it's a miracle these animals survived," Cruz remarked.

#### Transporting

After a levee broke, all the animals had to be relocated to an area just inside Orleans Parish, but Camp Lucky II was an improvement. It had a dry floor, a loading dock and even a bathroom, though no door. Marines, U.S. Marshals and civilian volunteers hauled in animal crates, bags of dog and cat food and cleaned the cages. An intake form was completed on each animal. Animals were checked for microchips, tagged and photographed. The Marines provided water and electrical hookups for fans to cool the animals. Later, crated animals were taken to San

Other animals were transported to the Lamar-Dixon Equine Center, an enormous animal rescue base camp in Gonzales, 90 minutes from Chalmette. Long caravans of vehicles loaded with animals waited in check-in lines for hours. Military and civilian vet nurses, technicians and veterinarians staffed designated triage areas. Animals were processed and treated. Thousands of dogs were walked throughout the day and night by dedicated volunteers. Everyone looked exhausted. Horses, cats, dogs, birds, ferrets, turtles, fish, snakes, hamsters, lizards, gerbils, guinea pigs, mice, rats, chickens, potbellied pigs - all friends to someone – looked exhausted, too. Thousands of animals were flown to shelters throughout the country to make room for the next thousand to be rescued. The

system is not perfect. In the hurry to save lives, many will not be reunited with their people.

#### Learning

"It was a massive education in disaster relief planning. After all I have seen, the one thing I am surer of than ever is that I would not evacuate without my animals should a disaster hit Greenbelt. My animals are my family. Hurricane Katrina taught us that thousands of people feel this way and they paid dearly for it," Cruz concluded. "I plan to have my animals micro-chipped, too. That way, they'll be registered, making reunification possible later."

Since returning to Greenbelt, Cruz has learned that U.S. Representatives Christopher Shays (R-Conn.) and Tom Lantos (D-Calif.) have introduced legislation that would require local and state emergency-preparedness authorities to include details on how they will accommodate pets and service animals such as seeingeye dogs in evacuation plans. The hope is that people will be more likely to comply with evacuation orders if they don't have to leave their animal companions behind. Under Shays' proposed legislation, known as the Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards, the PETS Act, communities that fail to consider pets in evacuation plans would be barred from receiving grants from FEMA.

Cruz plans to return to Louisiana soon. "There is still much to do," she said.

### History Talk Offered At Montpelier

Susan Pearl, a longtime historian and preservationist for Prince George's County, will give an intriguing look at letters of a governess for an Upper Marlboro family from 1854 to 1861.

This free lecture is on Wednesday, November 16 at 7:30 p.m. at Montpelier Mansion, Muirkirk Road at Route 197, Laurel.

Light refreshments will be served. Reservations are not required. For information call 301-953-1376, TTY 301-699-2544.

### Local Girl Is Animals' Patron and Best Friend

by Susie Hall, Animal Control Officer

What do you get a sevenyear-old girl for her birthday? Games? Computer software? Music? A bicycle? How about 40 pounds of kitty litter, a case of dog food, a few boxes of treats and a package of rawhide chews? Throw in lots of cat food, a litter box and some food bowls and you have a very happy birthday girl.

For her seventh birthday in July, Elaina Perry of Greenbelt decided she wouldn't ask for toys or games or clothes or anything else for her birthday. Instead, she asked for donations of supplies for the Greenbelt Animal Control program. This is the second year Elaina has chosen to celebrate her July 22 birthday by asking for presents for homeless pets. When asked why she chose to make her birthday a time to help support the care and feeding of animals waiting for a permanent home, Elaina explained, "I want to help all the homeless dogs and cats have enough to eat until somebody can take them home."

It's not only Elaina in the Perry household who supports the cause of animal adoption. Along with 11year-old brother Noah, mother Pam and father Todd, the Perrys are the adoptive family of puppies Max and Copper. Previously they had adoptee Beau, who died when Elaina was four.

During this year's Labor Day parade Elaina, Noah, Max the dog and mother Pam marched with the Greenbelt Animal Control van, leading a sometimes howling contingent of nearly one dozen adopted dogs and their happy families.

I was first contacted by the Perry family about Elaina's birthday wishes when the seven-year-old philanthropist decided she could use the celebration of her birthday as an opportunity to help others. Because Elaina and her family were in the process of adopting a dog from an area shelter, she decided she could do more to help and chose to use her birthday as an occasion to help homeless animals.

Every year thousands of animals are euthanized because not enough individuals and families are willing and able to open their homes to these cast-aside animals. The challenge of controlling pet overpopulation can be solved only one pet at a time. Seven-year-old Elaina Perry has found a way that she can help homeless animals — one birthday at a time.



Elaina Perry, 7, poses with her friend Max behind a table full of animal-friendly birthday presents.



From left, Elaina Perry, Animal Control Officer Susie Hall and Elaina's brother Noah Perry prepare to take the brithday bounty of supplies to the Animal Shelter.

There is an urgent need to GIVE BLOOD, GIVE LIFE Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE now!



### City of Greenbelt

Election Questionnaire 2005

As in the past elections, you are asked to take a few minutes to complete the following questionnaire. The information obtained will be useful to the newly elected City Council and City staff. Your confidential responses will be consolidated in a report for general distribution. Please place completed questionnaires in the box provided at the polling location or send it to the City Office at 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770.

GENERAL INFORMATION GREENBELT CARES		PUBLIC SAFETY	RECREATION	
1. Residence	SOCIALSERVICE	1. Please rate your satisfaction over the	1. Please check any programs which you	
ApartmentTownhouse	1. Have you or any of your family utilized	last 2 years with the following services.	or a member of your household are likely	
Condominium GHI Detached Single Family Home	any of the following services in the last 2	(5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average,	to attend within the next 2 years. (Check all that apply)	
Detached Single Failing Hollie	years? Yes No	2=Fair, 1=Poor) Fire & Rescue	Pre-school activities	
2. <b>Do you?</b> Own Rent	If so, please rate your satisfaction with	Parking Enforcement	Children's afterschool activities -	
3 Ago: 45.00	them. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average,	Traffic Control	dailyChildren's afterschool activities –	
<b>3. Age:</b> 45-60 61-74	2=Fair, 1=Poor)Counseling (individual, family or	Animal Control	weekly	
30-4475+	group)	Police Presence Police Responsiveness	Children's weekend activities	
	Crisis Intervention Counseling	Overall Police Performance	Children's drop-in activities	
4. How many years have you lived in Greenbelt?	Tutoring	Overall Police Employee	Home school/school enrichment activities	
Less than 1 year 11-20 yrs.	Discussion Groups in School Job Bank	Competence	Family recreation activities –	
1-5 yrs 21-30 yrs.	Babysitting Workshop	Police Attitude & Behavior Towards Citizens	weekends	
6-10 yrs More than 30 yrs.	GED Program		Teen drop-in activitiesTeen/Adult classes or leagues	
5. Employment Status	2. The Community Mediation Board	2. Do you have any concern about safety	Special events (Artful After-	
(Please check all that apply.)	(CMB) mediates non-legal disputes. Were	and security within Greenbelt? If so, please list:	noons, Greenbelt New Year, etc.)	
Full-TimePart-Time	you aware of this	11 50, preuse list.	2 11/1-4 6-4 (:6)	
Unemployed Retired Stay at home parent	free service?YesNo		2. What factors (if any) are preventing you from taking advantage of City recreation	
Work from home	3. Have you used it in the last two years?	3. If you have any suggestions for improving police services please list them	services? (Check all that apply)	
	Yes No	under General Comments #3.	Not familiar with available	
6. Where do you work?	If so, please rate your satisfaction with		servicesNot interested in available	
Greenbelt Prince George's County	your experience (5=Excellent, 4=Good,	4. If you have had personal contact with	services	
Baltimore	3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)	the City's Police Department in the last 2 years, was the police employee polite and	Programs are too expensive	
Washington, D.C.	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	courteous? Yes No	Transportation needed	
Montgomery County			Language barrierChild care needed	
Other	CODE ENFORCEMENT	5. Did the police employee assist you satisfactorily?	Don't have time	
7. How do you typically get to and from	1. Have you had personal contact with the	satisfactorily? YesNo	My needs are being met else	
work?	City's Community Development Depart-	110	where (please specify)	
Personal Automobile MetroBus	ment in the last 2 years?YesNo	<b>PUBLIC INFORMATION</b>	Other (please specify)	
Netrobus Carpool/Vanpool	105110			
TheBus	2. Was the Community Development	1. Are you satisfied with Greenbelt's	There are no factors preventing	
Metrorail MARC	employee polite and courteous?YesNo	effort to publicize and broadcast official information and City events?	me from participating	
Bicycling/Walking	1esNo	(5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average,	Please rate your satisfaction with all	
Telecommute	3. Did the Community Development	2=Fair, 1=Poor)	facilities and activities which you or your	
	employees assist you satisfactorily?	2. Do you have Internet access?	family have attended: (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)	
PUBLIC WORKS	YesNo	Cable/DSL Dial-up	4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor) Aquatic & Fitness Center	
1. Please rate your satisfaction over the	ASSISTANCE IN LIVING	None	Ball fields	
last 2 years with the following services.		3 Have you visited the City's new website	Community Center	
(5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average,	1. Are you aware of the programs offered	3. Have you visited the City's new website at www.greenbeltmd.gov or	Parks/trails Springhill Lake Recreation Center	
2=Fair, 1=Poor) Street Cleaning	through the Greenbelt Assistance in	www.ci.greenbelt.md.us?	Youth Center	
Street Cleaning Street Lighting	Living (GAIL) Program?No	(If no, skip to Question 7)	Aquatics programs	
Park Maintenance		Yes No	Art programs Fitness classes	
Snow Removal	2. Respite care provides short-term	4. Do you find the site easy to navigate?	Fitness classes Senior programs	
Horticulture/Planting Trash Collection	temporary relief to the primary caregiver of an individual with a persistent or	Yes No	Special Events (Artful	
Building Maintenance	chronic disability. If you are a caregiver,	5. Is the information on the website	Afternoons, Festival of Lights,	
Greenbelt Connection	would you utilize a respite care service	s. Is the information on the website useful?	Celebration of Spring, etc.) Youth/adult sports programs	
Recycling-Residential Pick-up Drop-off Recycling at Attick Pk	staffed by trained volunteers?	YesNo	Other youth activities	
Street/Sidewalk Maintenance	YesNo		-	
	3. Would you consider working as a	6. Is there additional information you would like to see included on the site?	<b>EDUCATION</b>	
2. If you have contacted Public Works in the last 2 years, was the amployee	volunteer respite care provider with a	Jana mic to see metaded on the site:	1.Do you have any school-age children?	
in the last 2 years, was the employee polite and courteous?	stipend? No		YesNo	
YesNo	103	7. Are you able to tune in to Greenbelt	If yes, please rate the schools currently	
	COMMENTS	Municipal Access Channel 71?	attended. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)	
GENERAL	COMMENTS		Greenbelt Elementary	
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### Festival Art Show Winners

by Barbara Simon

Once again the art shows at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival drew record crowds: an estimated 1,000 visitors attended this year's festival. The organizers wish to thank the viewers, the participating artists, the Arts & Cultural Heritage Division at M-NCPPC, the Public Works Department and the staff of the Community Center for helping to make this event a success.

At the awards ceremony on Sunday evening many children and adults received awards at the discretion of the judge, who was delighted by the lively content of the exhibits. In the Adult Show, Stradley Jude Bretell was presented with the first place award in oil/acrylic painting for his portrait entitled "Joshy." Kimberly Keyes Stark received second place for "A Window on the Rocky Mountains."

Two still-life paintings earned the third and fourth place awards: an interior scene by Mary Ellen McGovern and "Sitting on the Right" by Wendy Hagelgans.

In watercolor painting, Agnes Conaty was presented with the first place award for her "Tandem Swimmers," depicting two geese on Greenbelt Lake. Ted Kliman's "Aliyah Ascension" earned the second place award.

In the drawings category, Erica Weaver's untitled drawing of two figures was awarded first place. Second place went to Jacqueline Willoughby for her "Contemplation." Russell M. Caudill received third place for his large, colorful ink drawing "Dragon" and James Bretell received fourth place for his pencil drawing "Medication."

In the graphics/prints/collage category, Amanda Gordon received the first place award for her print "Woman in a Blue Dress." Gordon also won the Cipriano Award, given each year to the art work that best depicts the theme "Americans at Work," for her print of a woman ironing.

Two second place awards were given: to Nora Simon for "Bicycle" and to Gary Jimerfield for "Crimson Queen." Tom Baker received third place for "I Thirst" and Lauren Bordelon received fourth place for her untitled land-scape.

In sculpture, Elizabeth Morisette received the fourth place award for her work entitled "XYZ," which was constructed of zippers.

In the fine crafts category, Jane Love received the first place award for her "Theoren Table." There were two second place awards: Katherine Condliffe for her "Beaded Garden" and to Patricia Lundberg for her needlepoint "Rooster."

Third place was awarded to Colette Zanin for her "New Again Necklace," and fourth place was given to Kathy Kent for her appliqued hanging "Happy Days," depicting sunflowers.

#### Children's Show

There were many winners in the Children's Show, as awards are given in age groups as well as in categories. In the pre-school through 6-year-old age group, two first place awards in painting were presented: Scott Candey for "Cat and Kid" and to Barbara Turnbull for "Puzzle." The second place in painting was given to Kathryn Turnbull for her watercolor "Colorful Pond."

Liam Sombar and Elizabeth

Gardner both received third place awards: Sombar for his "Uncle Brian Kissing Aunt Erika" and Gardner for her "Flower in a Box." Gardner received another third place award in sculpture and 3-dimensional works for "The Snail Game."

In the drawings and prints category, Clementine Morisette was presented with first place for her "Owl: Peaceful Night." John Commins was given second place for his "Lion Under a Tree." The third place award went to Clare Alexander for "The Road Runner." Clare also received a first place in the sculpture and three-dimensional works category for her ceramic sculpture "Roo in the Middle." The fourth place in drawings and prints went to Evan Candey for "Mommy & Me."

Andrew Brewster-Geisz, who is in the preschool to 6-year-old age group, received the Cipriano Award for the best depiction of "Americans at Work" for the second year in a row for his drawing "Metro Trains Drive on a Track." In sculpture and three-dimensional works, Sophie Bernheisel won a first place award for her ceramic sculpture "Blue Elephant." Second place went to Kelsie Flowers for her egg-carton construction "Chelsea Caterpillar."

In the 7-to-10-year-old age group, Mairead Alexander was presented with the first place award in painting for her depiction of a violinist in "Music World." Devin Taylor received second place for his "Space Boy 5999." Kirin Taylor was given third place for "Me and My Cat" and Suzannah Noyes earned fourth place for her watercolor "Tropics."

In the drawings and prints category, Genavera Gannon received the first place award for her self-portrait "Me, Myself & I." There were three second place awards given to: Charles Fahey for "Bad Cat (Poor Dog!)," to Phoebe McFarb for her charcoal "Still Life" drawing and to Selina Donahue for her "Angel-Angel-Angel."

Rose Commins and Mary Commins each received third place in the drawings and prints category: Rose for her landscape "West Virginia" and Mary for "A Family." Patty Commins earned a fourth place for her "Still Life."

In the sculpture and three-dimensional works category, there were so many fine and varied pieces entered that the judge awarded three first place awards and three second place awards. The following children each received first place in this category: Barbara Turnbull for her ceramic sculpture "Cheetah in a Zoo," Rose Commins for her ceramic "Candle Holder" and Emily Winner for her "African Mask," made in Creative Kids Camp. The following children each received a second place award: Philip Njowusi for "Disaster," James Fahey for his ceramic sculpture "Griffin" and Chelsea Oliver for her "African Mask," also made in Creative Kids Camp.

Two third place awards in this category were given as well: to Reuben Cohen for his ceramic sculpture "Inca Head with Hair" and to Zachary Bernheisel for his ceramic "Green Bowl." David Gardner received a fourth place for his sculpture "The Striped

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### ". . . and the winners are . . . "



In the ages preschool-6 category the winners were (from left): Sophie Bernheisel, Andrew Brewster-Geisz, Evan Candey, Clare Alexander, John Commins, Clementine Morisette, Elizabeth Gardner, Liam Sombar, Kathryn Turnbull, Barbara Turnbull, Scott Candey (not pictured Kelsie Flowers).



For ages 7-10 the winners were (from left): David Gardner, Zachary Bernheisel, Chelsea Oliver, James Fahey, Philip Njowusi, Emily Winner, Barbara Turnbull, Patty Commins, Mary Commins, Rose Commins, Selina Donahue, Charles Fahey, Kirin Taylor, Devin Taylor, Mairead Alexander (not pictured Suzannah Noyes, Genavera Gannon, Phoebe McFarb, Reuben Cohen).



Winners, ages 11-14 were (from left): Nirvana Sookdeo, Gabrielle Shafer, Maddy Henderson, Marion Donahue, Aaron Pixley (not pictured Sean Murphy).

Winners ages 15-18 were (from left): Ayanda Sookdeo, Caitlin Donahue (not pictured Corinne Tull, Emily Lin).





For the adults category winners were (from left): Lauren Bordelon, Elizabeth Morisette, Nora Simon, Jacqueline Willoughby, Patricia Lundberg, James Bretell, Agnes Conaty, Stradley Jude Bretell, Doug Love (accepting award for his mother Jane Love), Kimberly Keyes Stark, Gary Jimerfield, Erica Weaver, Tom Baker, Russell M. Caudill, Amanda Gordon, Katherine Condliffe, Colette Zanin (not pictured Mary Ellen McGovern, Wendy Hagelgans, Ted Kliman, Kathy Kent).

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### **POLICE BLOTTER**

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

#### Robberies

October 28, 2:51 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road, a man reported that he was walking to a residence when he was approached from behind by a young man who forced him to the ground. A robbery was announced, a second suspect produced a handgun and a third suspect took the victim's book bag, wallet and cell phone. All three fled the scene on foot. The victim declined medical attention for minor injuries. The suspects are described as three young black males, one wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and two wearing dark clothing and possibly knit

October 30, 8:48 p.m., 6200 block Springhill Court, a food delivery person reported that he had completed a delivery and had exited an apartment building when he was approached by another man who displayed a handgun and demanded money. After obtaining money from the delivery person, the man fled the scene on foot. The suspect is described as a black male, approximately 18 years of age, 5'6", 180 pounds with brown eyes, wearing a gray sweatshirt and black pants.

October 30, 8:54 p.m., Springhill and Market Lanes, a man reported that he was walking to a residence when he was approached by two other men, one armed with a handgun. A robbery was announced and, after obtaining the victim's watch, the suspects fled the scene on foot. They are described as two black males, both 16 to 22 years of age, 6', wearing dark colored sweatpants. Each was wearing a sweatshirt with a hood.

October 31, 6:10 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, a parcel delivery person reported that he was returning to his truck after making a delivery, when he was approached by a man armed with a knife. A robbery was announced and the delivery person defended himself with a flashlight. The man fled the scene and the victim was not injured. The suspect is described as a black male, 18 to 20 years of age, 5'7", wearing black clothing and a black ball cap.

October 31, 9:53 p.m., Mandan Road and Mandan Terrace, a man reported that he was walking on the sidewalk when he was approached by approximately seven people. One of them, wearing a skull-type Halloween mask, ounched the victim in the face, knocking him to the ground. They demanded money from the man and took his cell phone when he stated that he had no money. The suspects fled the area on foot. They are described as seven black males, one was short and fat, wearing all black clothing; and one, tall and thin, wearing all black clothing.

November 1, 10:41 p.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway, a man reported that he exited his vehicle and was walking to a residence when he was grabbed from behind by one of two men. A robbery was announced with one of the suspects displaying a handgun. One robber began going through the victim's pockets, taking his car keys when the victim determined that the gun was a toy. The victim began to yell at the men who then fled the scene on foot, taking the victim's car keys with them.

The suspects are described as two black males, both 5'5", one was wearing a dark colored jacket. The other one had a goatee and was wearing a dark colored "Members Only" jacket and dark jeans.

November 2, 8:26 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, a man reported that he was walking from a bus stop to a residence when he was approached by three men. One of the suspects grabbed the victim, produced a knife and announced a robbery. The other two went through the victim's pockets, taking money, credit cards and personal identification. The suspects fled the scene on foot. They are described as three black males, wearing dark clothing. One was young, 6', 120 pounds with black hair and brown eyes.

#### Assaults

October 29, 10:07 p.m., T.G.I. Friday's Restaurant, a waitress at the restaurant reported that she had presented a party of diners with a bill at the end of their meal. The diners became angry over the tab and assaulted the waitress, knocking her to the ground and kicking her in the face. They then fled the scene. The waitress was transported to the hospital for treatment of a possible broken nose and other injuries. The suspects are described as a black male and a black female, both with black hair.

October 30, 5:38 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a man reported that he was shopping inside Party City when he was approached by a man who accused him of bumping into his daughter. The second man then punched the victim in the face and fled the scene. The victim declined treatment for minor injuries. The suspect is described as a black male, 5'10" with brown hair and brown eyes, wearing a black jacket and blue jeans.

October 31, 12:05 a.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace, a man reported that he was walking to an apartment when he was assaulted by several men. One hit him with a stick and all fled the scene on foot. The man declined treatment for minor injuries. The suspects are described as approximately eight black males, 16 to 21 years of age, dressed in all black clothing.

October 31, 9:18 p.m., 7200 block South Ora Court, the victims reported that they were walking to a residence when a vehicle described as a green Ford Contour drove up next to them. Two of the occupants exited the vehicle and began to chase the victims on foot. The victims ran into a residence, at which time unknown person(s) fired several shots at a nearby vehicle with a BB gun, breaking out the front and rear windshields. Several people were observed outside the residence shortly after the incident. The suspects fled the scene, some in the suspect vehicle. Approximately 15 suspects were involved.

October 31, 9:40 p.m., 6500 block Greenbelt Road, unknown person(s) used a BB gun to shoot out the front and rear windows of an occupied vehicle driving east on Greenbelt Road. No one was injured. There is no suspect description.

#### **Drug Arrest**

October 27, 10:43 p.m., Northway Ball Field, a resident man was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia after police stopped a vehicle entering the closed park. A computer check

### Teacher Charged In Greenbelt Rape

A Washington, D.C., man, Pascal Etienne Brazey, has been arrested and charged with first-degree rape, second-degree rape, sexual molestation of a child, fourth-degree sex offense and assault.

The victim told investigators that in June of 2004, Brazey, a teacher in the French Immersion program at Robert Goddard Middle School in Lanham, came to her residence in Greenbelt after she called in sick to school. There, he allegedly had non-consensual sex with her. She was 14 years old at the time of the assault. (Sex with a 14-year-old cannot legally be considered consensual.)

Brazey was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. He was held pending posting of a \$75,000 bond.

revealed that a passenger, a non-resident man, had open arrests warrants with the Prince George's County Sheriff's Department. As the officer spoke to the driver, he observed paraphernalia commonly used to smoke marijuana on the floorboard. The resident man was released on citation pending trial. The nonresident was transported to the Department of Corrections for service of the warrant.

#### **Burglaries**

October 29, 8:06 a.m., 7600 Hanover Parkway, it was reported that unknown person(s) broke into the Greenbriar Community Center. A microwave oven was taken.

October 29, 9:14 a.m., Forestway, it was reported that unknown person(s) forced opened a locked shed. Nothing appears to have been taken.

October 31, 5:50 p.m., 9000 block Breezewood Terrace, it was reported that unknown person(s) attempted to force open the sliding glass door of a residence. Entry was not gained but the door was damaged during the attempt.

November 3, 2:14 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Court, it was reported that unknown person(s) entered the residence by way of an unlocked sliding glass door. A video game player, DVD player and DVDs were taken.

November 3, 7:05 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane, it was reported that unknown person(s) entered a residence by forcing open a sliding glass door. Two televisions, money and stereo equipment were taken.

#### Vehicle Crimes

A 2004 Ford F-250 truck was stolen from the 6200 block Springhill Drive and was later recovered by the owner.

Vandalism to, theft from and attempted theft from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7200 block Mandan Road, 7600 block Mandan Road, Mandan Road and Hanover Parkway, 7200 block Hanover Drive (two incidents), 22 court Hillside, 500 block Crescent Road, 6100 block Breezewood Drive, 6200 block Breezewood Drive, 6000 block Cherrywood Court (two incidents), 5800 block Cherrywood Lane (two incidents), 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, 8900 block Edmonston Road, 9100 block Edmonston Road, 9300 block Edmonston Road, 9100 block Springhill Lane and Beltway Plaza.

### Fire & Rescue Log

The Fire Department Log is a monthly report of the activities and news from the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. (GVFD&RS) The report includes recent incidents, news and upcoming events, fire safety and other fire department-related information.

For the month of October, the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department responded to a total of 145 engine and 161 ambulance calls. Among those calls GVFD responded to 18 reports of smoke or fire, 10 gas leaks, one hazardous materials call, 56 motor vehicle accidents and 122 medical calls.



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#### Firefighter of the Year

On October 21, Firefighter James Silcox was honored by the Greenbelt American Legion as Firefighter of the Year. During the Lake Park Drive fire in May, Silcox was part of the initial crew which began an aggressive interior attack of the third floor fire.

While crews on the third floor were battling the blaze, the ceiling collapsed and trapped two firefighters. Silcox, along with the other firefighters on hand, began an immediate rescue operation. During the rescue, his protective gloves came off, leaving him exposed to the intense heat and hot embers in the debris.

According to Greenbelt Fire Chief Brian Rudy, "At the risk of great personal sacrifice and without the protection of his firefighting gloves, Firefighter Silcox continued to work pulling the debris off the trapped firefighters with his bare hands." Silcox suffered second degree burns to both hands. Since recovered, he is now a live-in member of the firehouse. Rudy said the company was "proud to name Firefighter Silcox as our Firefighter of the Year for his selfless and heroic acts."

#### Open House

On Saturday, October 29 the GVFD held its annual Fire Prevention Open House. Members of the community were given the chance to learn about fire prevention and safety, including the use of smoke detectors and fire extinguishers, as well as to get a taste of what the GVFD does for the community. Highlights of the day were engine rides for children and a demonstration of a motor vehicle crash extrication with the help of the rescue squad from Berwyn Heights. The GVFD thanks everyone for coming out.

#### Volunteers Sought

The GVFD is looking for volunteers age 16 and up. Become a firefighter, EMT or work in an administrative role. All training is provided and the time commitment is flexible. To find out more, call the station at 301-345-7000, visit the website at www.engine35.com or stop by the station and ask to speak to an officer.

Questions and comments regarding this report or any fire department issues can be directed to public-info@engine35.com or to 301-345-7000.

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### Special Energy Assistance Days

Many already know and worry about the possibility that heating bills may skyrocket this winter. There is good news for some people – the Maryland Energy Assistance Program is available to residents of Maryland who need assistance with home heating bills.

Greenbelt's Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program will assist Greenbelt residents with the required application on Tuesday, November 22 and Wednesday, November 23 from 9 a.m. to noon. Help in completing the forms will be available on the second floor of the Municipal Building, located at 25 Crescent Road. People should bring copies of their household's gross income, proof of identification and residence and most current electric bill and/or gas bill. People may be eligible for the program if they meet the income eligibility requirements (\$1,196.25 monthly for individuals, \$1,603.75 monthly for couples and \$407.50 for each additional person in the household). Residents of subsidized housing may qualify even if heat is paid as part of their rent. People may be eligible even if they are already receiving certain types of public assistance or are disabled or elderly on a limited income.

The Senior Resource of the Month is provided as a community service by Christal Batey, Community Resource Advocate.

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Snake."

In the 11 to 14 age group Aaron Pixley won a first place award in the drawings and prints category for his drawing "Kingdom Hearts." There were two second place awards in this category: Marian Donahue for her linoleum block print "Ying Yang" and to Maddy Henderson for her drawing "Taking a Break." Gabrielle Shafer took third place for her drawing "Dragon Crystal" and Nirvana Sookdeo received a fourth place award for "My Name Design, Part 2." In sculpture and 3-dimensional works

Sean Murphy won first place for his ceramic "Egyptian Jar."

In the 15-18 age group Caitlin Donahue was presented with two first place awards for her painting "Claire libre" and for her wire sculpture "Caged Whimsey/Bird Brain." Corinne Tull received the first place award in drawings and prints for her still life drawing "Beater." Emily Lin received the third place award in this category for her "Belly Dancer" and Ayanda Sookdeo received the third place award for "Rainbow Style."

### Zipcar, Flexcar Find A Home Here – Sort of

by Eli Flam

Zipcar and Flexcar, different kinds of rent-a-car companies, have found a home in Greenbelt – sort of.

The lone Zipcar now in town, at Green Ridge House on Ridge Road, "is working terrifically," says city manager Mike McLaughlin. Some 15 residents (five of whom have given up their own cars) are regular users and non-Green Ridgers can tap into the service, too – once they pay \$25 to apply and an annual fee of \$25. Thanks to \$18,000 paid annually by Green Ridge (for a third year), residents - once cleared by Zipcar as sound drivers - only pay the regular charge of \$8.50 an hour or \$60 a day. (There are fees for returning the car late or much earlier than arranged.)

You book via zip.com, open the driver's door with a sensor card and turn the key that's in the ignition. Before leaving the car (a Honda Civic here), gas up as needed – at no cost to you – for the next user's convenience. (Both companies handle all other service tasks and maintenance.)

A second Zipcar, also under city aegis – latterly a lime green Volkswagen Bug – was parked by Roosevelt Center for more than two years but even with some pool use by city workers, says McLaughlin, it didn't get enough usage to keep under contract and was dropped earlier this year.

In turn Flexcar, the city manager adds, mostly has their ve-

hicles by Metro stations, including Greenbelt. Flexcar reportedly has almost 100 cars in the D.C. Metro area, mostly hybrids with rates and conditions similar to Zipcar. At no cost – thanks to a loan from the D.C. Energy Office – a Flexcar spent June-August in Greenbelt for city use only, about two or three times a week plus two overnights for meetings elsewhere.

Zipcar, which claims some 10,000 members nationwide, has 175 cars in the greater D.C. area, some of them luxury cars at higher rates. Takoma Park is the next nearest site.

#### Marshall Biography, Book Talk Offered

In conjunction with the University of Maryland's First Year Book program, on Monday, November 14 at 7 p.m. the College Park Arts Exchange will hold a discussion group about Juan Williams' biography, "Thurgood Marshall: American Revolutionary." The discussion will be led by Herbert Brewer, an advanced doctoral candidate in the History Department at the University of Maryland. The book discussion will be held at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road in College Park. Contact 301-927-3013 or info@cpae.org for a free copy of the book, donated by the Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies.

#### **Open Jazz Class**

On Monday, November 14 at 5:30 p.m. sit in on a free masterclass with Dave Holland and University of Maryland School of Music jazz studies students. The class will be held in Room 1230 of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.

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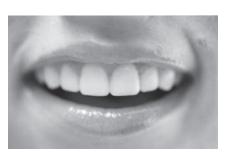
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# Halloween in Greenbelt

### Festivities Start with Pumpkin Carving at Café



Diana Kritt enjoys playing with the gooey, gooey mess. "Just keep it out of your hair, Diana!"

Greenbelt has always been noted for community-wide celebrations of Halloween. This year, many carvers joined in the group effort on Friday, October 28 at the New Deal Café to provide pumpkins for the pumpkin walk the following evening.



Imani Belton pushes out the eye of her pumpkin.



Who has the face to remember? Pumpkin carving brought out the creativity in everyone.



Councilmember Rodney Roberts uses the "quick and ... skillful" method of pumpkin carving.



Laura Holman enjoys pumpkin watching in Roosevelt Center.

At right and looking trepidatious, Bridget Cornett carries off her freshly-carved pumpkin duo.



### Results of the 2005 Pumpkin Poll

by Doug Love

This year, as always on Halloween, we sat on the porch waiting for Trick-or-treaters. The dog worked a Sudoku puzzle and I asked the kids the perennial question, "Who would you vote for if you could vote next Tues-

Many first-time voters were not sure what to say. I had carved a pumpkin for all the candidates but didn't help with the names. I don't think I did too good a job of portraying Leta Mach or Rodney Roberts but they both got point-and-click votes. (The kids pointed and I clicked.) A few almost voted for Konrad Herling but then voted for Leta Mach. Almost nobody knew Mayor Davis' name but they either pointed to the pumpkin or said "the mayor" or in the case of one group, "el mayoral." She was the only candidate to poll ahead of perennial favorites "I don't know" and (no response). I'm surprised that nobody voted for Ed Putens or Konrad.

By 8 p.m., 64 kids had voted for the following candidates:

J Davis - 15 votes including four princesses; No response – 11 votes, some couldn't talk; I don't know - 10 votes; Leta Mach and Rodney Roberts each got 6 votes, found on the pumpkins; Kelly Ivy – 4 votes from Ronald Reagan and three friends; Michael Jackson - 2 votes; Daddy - 2 votes and one daddy said he'd run next time; and Yeah - 2 votes, some could talk a little.

Write-in candidates each receiving one vote included the Monster, Shrek, the doggie, Ralph Nader and Abraham Lincoln.

#### **Montpelier Exhibits Unique Homes**

"Raise the Roof" will be the exhibit at the main gallery of the Montpelier Cultural Arts Center until November 28. This is an exhibition of unique home designs juried from a national competition. Twenty-eight indoor and outdoor models will be displayed.

Breon Gilleron will be exhibiting his sculpture in the Library Gallery through December 28. This installation combines welded pieces with wall drawings.

In the Resident Artist Gallery Roslyn Logdon will show hooked wall hangings and Linda Bernard will show ceramics. These exhibits will be displayed until November 30.

The Montpelier Cultural Arts Center is located at 12826 Laurel-Bowie Road in Laurel. For information call 301-953-1993.

#### Jazz Concert at UM

On Tuesday, November 15 at 7:30 p.m. the UM School of Music presents a chamber jazz recital with Chris Vadala, music director. This free concert of student combos from the UM jazz studies program will be held in the Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts

# Halloween in Greenbelt



Not just for humans anymore, Belfield has admirers in Alyce Ivey and Judi Wannanaker.

### Dogs Bring Halloween To Hospitalized Children

by Adele Lee

Greenbelt Dog Training was asked to participate in a special Halloween Dog Obedience Demo and Show at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C., on Monday, October 31. Fourteen intermediate and advanced trained dogs and their owners were dressed in their finest costumes. There was a wizard and witch along with their furry companions all decked out as an angel and a biker. There was a clown and her clown dog as well as Superman, Superwoman with Superdog. The children also enjoyed the very large, blue, hairy, monster "Sulley" performing with her Airedale. A beach person and her dog dressed in swim trunks and red sunglasses was joined by two cowgirls with their sidekicks all dressed up for the show. The youngest student, nine years old, shared her nine-year-old dog in his soccer uniform.

Under the direction of Allie Lee, handlers came with their dogs to show off their obedience skills, hoop-jumping, skateboarding and canine dancing. The "Scent-Sations" (canine freestyle dance team) performed a dance routine to the song "Celebration." Throughout the performance, the dogs and their owners wowed the large crowd in the atrium.

Children could be seen giving hugs to the big German Shepherd dog, kissing the yellow Lab on his head, squeezing the neck of the little terrier/poodle rescue dog, even giving trick and dancing commands to the dogs who were willing to respond to them. Whatever crying might have gone on that day, all that was heard for more than an hour was laughter

and squeals of joy. Those dogs left their paw prints on the hearts of all who saw them.

After the demo/show in the atrium the full group was invited to parade in the hallways of the critical wards of the hospital. The children who were not able to come downstairs to see the show displayed smiles from their beds as they saw the dogs. The dogs stopped by each room and did a few tricks in the hallways as the owners waved and smiled at patients and staff. One young girl quickly got dressed to come out into the hallway to see the dogs. She immediately had a staff member take her picture on her cell phone with each of the dogs. The joy and smiles that were received were worth every bit of effort to make this a memorable event.

Lee believes this was one of the most rewarding events Greenbelt Dog Training has experienced. He said, "It was such a blessing to be involved with a wonderful group of students who volunteer so freely of their time, their hearts and sharing of their pets with the patients and staff at Children's Hospital."

According to Julie Hudtloff, manager of Volunteer Services at Children's National Medical Center, "Every time the dogs come they have an amazing ability to put smiles on everybody's face and really brighten everyone's day. We are always impressed with their ability to boost the spirits of patients, their families and our staff. We love having the dogs especially on Halloween. Having them dressed in costumes really helps kick off the spirit of the day. It really is a treat for everyone."



This group of performers, human and canine alike, were dressed in costume as part of a special Halloween Dog Obedience Demo and Show at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C., on Monday, October 31. Fourteen intermediate and advanced trained dogs and their owners from Greenbelt Dog Training participated in what was described as one of the most rewarding events they have experienced.









Clockwise from top left: this darling Dalmatian, otherwise known as Alexandra Clarke, was found off-leash in Roosevelt Center during the costume contest. Alexandra, age 10 months, was a Family Category winner in a group that included her fire extinguisher mom, her brother as the fireman with Dad as the fire. Next, pumpkin luminaries line the sidewalk. Above, this scary spider web proved menacing to the arachnophobe. At left, Lyla Nordrum as "Flamenco Dancer" won honors in the 1 1/2 to 3 year old category.



#### Japanese Show At Smith Center

Don't feel like traveling 6,000 miles to see a show? On Tuesday, November 15 at 5:30 p.m., Osaka native Shizumi will bring Japanese culture here as she demonstrates elements of Kyogen theater and Samurai swordsmanship. This free performance will be given in the Laboratory Theatre of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at the University of Maryland.

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### Two Teachers at St. Hugh's Enjoy Work with Children

by Jim Lara

As part of American Education Week and in recognition of various educators for their work, the News Review recently got the opportunity to profile two teachers from St. Hugh's Elementary and Junior High School.

#### **Brooke Thomas**

Brooke Thomas, a second grade teacher, is in her first year at the St. Hugh's. Α resident of College Park,



she received her degree in early childhood education at Bowie State University. She got the chance to teach full-time at St. Hugh's after starting as a kindergarten aide last semester.

"Being an educator is something I've always wanted to be and growing up I've admired my grade school teachers, who got me interested in the profession," said Thomas.

She has 24 students in her class and teaches subjects like math, spelling, reading and language arts. She enjoys every subject and is pleased that her students especially love reading.

Thomas says her class has been great and there haven't been problems in terms of bad behavior. When teaching students this young, she makes a point not to allow them to bog down mentally during class time. Every now and then she'll get the kids to stand up and stretch or to sing a song together. It's all about keeping them focused and to give a break when it's needed.

Thomas remarked that parents and the school staff have been very supportive, which was why she wanted to be part of a closeknit community like St. Hugh's. She hopes her students will be prepared for the increasing rigors of academics. "I try to instill in them the confidence that they can succeed in anything through hard work," she said.

#### Mary Nauman

M a r y Nauman teaches 4th grade and has been St. with Hugh's for over 20 years. While she was an



English major at Christendom College in Virginia, she took several courses in education after graduating and had an appreciation of learning to instruct others. She came to St. Hugh's in 1985 through a friend who knew the pastor when he was looking to hire new teachers.

Nauman wanted to teach at the 4th-grade level since she felt it her best fit. "Every stage in a child's life is vital and at this age, kids are coming to know who they are as a person," she said. In addition to history, reading, science and math, students are taught religion. She remarked that religion has become a favorite topic of her students because it challenges them intellectually to ask questions.

In terms of a teaching style, Nauman will let the students do a variety of things, such as keeping a journal of their studies, group projects, role playing and having discussions about a particular subject. When asked if students are better off learning at a Catholic school she stressed that even though students can get a good education at a public institution, private schools can help teach virtues and build a student with good

The Bowie resident says that the most rewarding aspect of her job is seeing former students as successful adults. "It's a thrill to catch up with my old students, seeing them grow. All I can wish is that they will develop their hunger in any future academic pursuits," Nauman said.

(Photos by David Lange.)

#### **SHL** continued from page 1

Jamie Kendall

Ву end of Jamie Kendall's first year as a first grade resource teacher at SpringhillLake Elementary School,



it was apparent to principal Linda Sherwood that Kendall needed her own class. Today she teaches second grade to 20 children, a mixture of regular and resource students.

Once students enter room 22 they know what's expected of them. They unpack their book bags, hand in homework and copy assignments from the

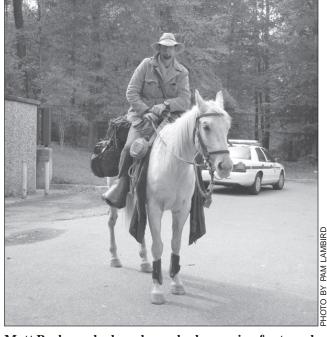
Each morning brings the same routine, though occasionally a student may want to do differently. It never fazes Kendall since she knows that this sort of consistency is important.

She is a hands-on teacher who wants her students to see the world around them. They learn about nature via the local state parks. If they want to discover future career options, Kendall brings in experts in their fields to speak with the class. Her passion for teaching is so evident that it's hard to believe she was unsure of her path in college. Fortunately, a teacher from Kendall's past gave her room to find her own

After attending a teacher's fair in Prince George's County, Kendall knew that Springhill Lake Elementary was where she could thrive. Initially, her decision to leave Pennsylvania for Maryland was a big deal to her family. But now they are used to the idea and her father has even come to school to talk about his job at M&M

Although Kendall's most challenging aspect of teaching second graders is making sure to get to all of them, there is no doubt in her mind that the greatest reward of the job is her students. If she can get them to make a connection with what the outside world has to offer, it's a good day. If she can get them to be kids for a bit longer, it's a great day.

(Photos by Enid Kempler.)



Matt Parker, who has always had a passion for travel, has been riding on horseback across the country on the American Discovery Trail. Aside from his personal enjoyment of the 5,000 mile ride, his trip is intended to call attention to the history, culture and natural wonders of America. On Wednesday, October 26, Parker, on his horse Cincinnati, rode through Greenbelt Park, along Lakecrest Drive and across the dam at Greenbelt Lake to reach the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center on his way East to the Delaware coast. Greenbelt is part of the Anacostia Discovery Trail.

### **Peters Presents County Grants**

Prince George's County Councilmember Douglas J.J. Peters (D-District 4) has announced the selection of 16 nonprofit organizations and parent-teacher associations serving the City of Greenbelt as recipients of Special Appropriation Grants from the county. The grant awards, totaling \$26,000, range from \$250 to \$5,000 in non-departmental funding for Fiscal Year 2006, which began July 1.

FY06 Grant Recipients are: Friends of Greenbelt Museum (\$5,000); Greenbelt CARES (\$5,000); Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Dept. & Rescue Squad (\$2,500); Greenbelt Arts Center (\$2,500); Old Greenbelt Theatre (\$2,500); Greenbelt Department of Recreation (\$2,000); Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (\$2,000); Greenbelt Assn. for the Visual Arts (\$1,500); Friends of New Deal Café Arts (\$500); Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club (\$500); Springhill Lake Girl Scout Troop (\$500); Greenbelt Astronomy Club (\$500); and Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Greenbelt Middle School, Greenbelt and Springhill Lake Elementary Schools Parent Teacher Associations (\$250).

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Teachers will be able to attend and participate in hands-on sessions and watch model lessons focused on technology integration to impact student achievement. In addition, 25 to 30 exhibitors will share new ideas and

Tony Brewer will give the keynote address. Brewer is the author of "Technology Integration in the 21st Century Classroom" and is recognized as one of the world's leading K-16 technology writers, lecturers and trainers. He received the prestigious Apprise Award for humorous writing with his best-selling book on growing up in the Deep South titled "Catfish Don't Jump," which was read over National Public Radio.

The host school, Northwestern High School, is a state-ofthe-art educational facility for 2,690 students. Drawing an average of 600 educators annually, "Powering Up" is attended by participants from Prince George's County Public Schools, local universities and other public and nonpublic school districts in Maryland and surrounding

#### Schools' Planning **Group Meets**

A Prince George's County School Board Master Plan Committee meeting will be held on Monday, November 14 at 6 p.m. at the Sasscer Administration Building, Board Executive Meeting Room, 14201 School Lane, Upper Marlboro. The Master Plan Committee focuses on the school system's Quality Schools Program Strategic Plan. The meeting is open to the public; however, there will be no public participation. For more information call Amber Wilson at 301-952-6239.



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